**Amendment to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listing of claims in the application:

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Claim 1 (currently amended): A method for communicating between computer bus modules comprising the steps of:

converting native bus signals from a first computer module to a first point-to- point interface;

10        conveying the bus signals using the first point-to-point interface to a bus emulator when the bus emulator is available;

conveying the bus signals from the bus emulator using a second point-to-point interface to a second computer module; and

converting the bus signals received at the second computer to a native

15        form.

Claim 2 (original): The method of Claim 1 wherein the step of converting native bus signals from a first computer module to a first point-to-point interface comprises the steps of:

20        monitoring the native bus signals in order to identify the beginning of a data transfer cycle; and

accepting data and address signals from the native bus and serializing these together with an indication of the type of transfer identified.

25   ·Claim 3 (original): The method of Claim 1 wherein the step of conveying bus signals from the bus emulator to a second computer module comprises the steps of:

receiving the bus signals from the first point-to-point interface in the bus emulator;

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